

A letter accepting correspondence and exchange of publications was read from the German Geological Society at Berlin, November 6th, 1862.

Letters informing the Society of the transmission of donations for the Library, were received from the C. Observatory of Russia, August 1st; the Royal Society at Upsal, September 15th; the Prince Jablonowski Society at Leipsic, January 6th; and the Society at Wiesbaden, November 11th.

Donations for the Library were received from the Central Observatory, St. Petersburg; Royal Society, Upsal; Royal University, Christiania; Geological and Horticultural Societies, Berlin; Prince Jablonowski Society, Leipsic; Geographical Society and Geological Institute, Vienna; Royal Academy, Munich; Natural History Societies at St. Gall, Wiesbaden, Lausanne, and Strasburg; Pontifical Academy, Rome; S. Bellardi, Turin; S. Bianconi, Bologna; M. Des Moulins, Bordeaux; Geographical Society, Paris; Royal, Royal Astronomical, Royal Asiatic, Chemical, and Geological Societies, London; Royal Society, Edinburgh; Royal Irish Academy; Rev. E. E. Adams, of Philadelphia, and the Bureau of Topographical Engineers, Washington.

Dr. Bache announced the death of a member, Judge Carleton, of Philadelphia, aged 76, on the 28th ultimo; and on motion of Dr. Bache, Mr. H. C. Carey was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of the deceased.

Pending nominations Nos. 481 to 493 were read.

On motion of the Librarian, the following names were placed on the list of corresponding societies: La Société Géographique de Russie, Die Deutsche Morgenländische Gesellschaft, and the Palæontological Society at London.

And the Society was adjourned.

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*Stated Meeting, April 17, 1863.*

Present, thirteen members.

Dr. WOOD, President, in the Chair.

A letter acknowledging the receipt of publications was re-

ceived from the Imperial Institute of France, dated Paris, October 20th, 1862.

A letter was received from Henry C. Carey, Esq., dated Philadelphia, April 16th, accepting the appointment to prepare an obituary notice of Judge Carleton lately deceased.

Donations for the Library were received from the Young Men's Association at Buffalo, the Franklin Institute, the Pennsylvania Colonization Society, Blanchard & Lea, Mr. Isaac Lea, Surgeon-General Hammond, and Mr. Leipoldt, bookseller.

Dr. Bache announced the death of Dr. Charles W. Short, on the 7th of March last, aged 68.

The Secretary made some remarks upon the organization of a National Academy of Science, which led the way to a general discussion by the members present of the importance of that class of subjects, which relate to the welfare and improvement of society; such as the trial by jury, the giving of evidence by parties interested, and the proper representation of classes rather than masses in legislation. Mr. Fraley, Mr. Price, and Prof. Coppeé spoke at some length upon these points.

Pending nominations Nos. 481 to 493 were read and balloted for.

No further business being before the Society, the ballot boxes were examined, and the following persons declared by the President duly elected members of the Society:

J. E. Hilgard, Assistant in the U. S. Coast Survey.

Charles A. Schott, " " " "

Thomas E. Blackwell, C. E., London, England.

B. W. Richardson, M.D., London.

Thomas Hill, D.D., President of Harvard College.

William D. Whitney, Yale College, New Haven.

Chester Dewey, D.D., Rochester University, N. Y.

William Henry Green, D.D., Theological Seminary, Princeton, N. J.

James Pollock, Director of the United States Mint, Philadelphia.

E. A. Washburne, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's, Philadelphia.

James McClune, Central High School, Philadelphia.

Calvin Pease, D.D., First Presbyterian Church, Rochester, N. Y.

New nomination No. 494 was read.

And the Society was adjourned.

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*Stated Meeting, May 1, 1863.*

Present, twenty-six members.

Dr. WOOD, President, in the Chair.

Letters accepting membership were received from Chester Dewey, dated University of Rochester, April 22d; William Henry Green, dated Princeton, April 26th, and Charles A. Schott, dated Washington, D. C., April 22d, 1863.

Letters acknowledging the receipt of publications were received from Prof. Hyrtl, and the Secretary of the Imperial Academy at Vienna, dated November 1862; the Royal Academy at Munich, October, 1862; the Batavian Academy at Rotterdam, January 21st, 1863; the Bureau des Longitudes at Paris, December 5th, 1862; the Leeds Philosophical and Literary Society, December 31st, 1862; the Library of Congress, April 22d, 1863; and the Smithsonian Institution, July 22d and October 20th, 1862.

Donations for the Library were received from the Royal Astronomical and Chemical Societies in London; the Geological Society of Dublin; the Massachusetts Historical Society, Dr. Dewey, of Rochester, Mr. William Vaux, Prof. Cresson, Prof. Lesley and Mr. Leipoldt, of Philadelphia, and the Smithsonian Institution.

The decease of a member of the Society, Dr. William Darlington, on the 23d of April, at West Chester, aged eighty-